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SELECTED REFERENCES

[The Selected References section is a compilation of recent publications of presumed interest to forensic chemists. Unless otherwise stated, all listed citations are published in English. Abbreviated mailing address information duplicates that which is provided by the abstracting service. Patents and Proceedings are reported only by their *Chemical Abstracts* citation number. For full text copies of any of the articles listed, you may email the DEA Library at dea.library -at- usdoj.gov.]

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- 2. Rotherham D, Harbison SA. **Differentiation of drug and non-drug Cannabis using a single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) assay.** Forensic Science International 2011;207(1-3):193-197. [Editor's Notes: Presents title study. Contact: Department of Chemistry, University of Auckland, Private Bag 92019, Auckland 1142, New Zeland.]
- 3. Taniguchi M, Yamamoto Y, Nishi K. A technique combining trifluoroacetyl derivatization and gas chromatography-mass spectrometry to distinguish methamphetamine and its 4-substituted analogs. Journal of Mass Spectrometry 2010;45(12):1473-1476. [Editor's Notes: Reports a method using trifluoroacetyl (TFA) derivatization and GC/MS to distinguish methamphetamine and its 4-substituted analogs: 4-fluoromethamphetamine, 4-chloromethamphetamine, 4-bromomethamphetamine, 4-iodomethamphetamine, and 4-nitromethamphetamine. Contact: Shiga Police Headquarters, Forensic Science Laboratory, 1-34-3, Karasaki, Otsu, Shiga, Japan 520-0106.]
- 2. Kikura-Hanajiri R, Kawamura M, Miyajima A, Sunouchi M, Goda Y. Chiral analyses of dextromethorphan/levomethorphan and their metabolites in rat and human samples using LC-MS/MS. Analytical and Bioanalytical Chemistry 2011;400(1):165-174. [Editor's Notes: An analytical method for the discrimination of dextromethorphan (an antitussive medicine) from its enantiomer, levomethorphan (a narcotic) and their metabolites in rat plasma, urine, and hair were carried out using LC-MS/MS. Complete chiral separation was achieved in 12 minutes on a Chiral CD-Ph column. The proposed methodology might be applied to the analysis of dextromethorphan /levomethorphan in forensics samples. Contact: Division of Pharmacognosy, Phytochemistry and Narcotics, National Institute of Health Sciences 1-1801, Kamiyoga, Setagaya, Tokyo 158-8501, Japan.]

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The FY 2011 schedule for the State and Local Forensic Chemists Seminar is as follows:

September 12-16, 2011

The school is open only to forensic chemists working for law enforcement agencies. It is intended for chemists who have completed their agency's internal training program and have also been working on the bench for at least one year. There is no tuition charge. The course is held at the Hyatt Place Dulles North Hotel in Sterling, Virginia (near the Washington/Dulles International Airport). A copy of the application form is reproduced on the last page of this issue of *Microgram Bulletin*. Completed applications should be mailed to the Special Testing and Research Laboratory at 22624 Dulles Summit Court, Dulles, VA 20166. For additional information, email DEA-Forensic Chemist Seminar -at- usdoj.gov (replace -at- with @).

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Title: 40th Annual Meeting of MAFS

Sponsoring Organization: Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists

Inclusive Dates: September 19-23, 2011

Location: Weston Hotel at Yorktown (Lombard, IL)

Contact Information: See website

Website: www.mafs.net

Title: 2011 Northwest Association of Forensic Scientists Meeting

Sponsoring Organization: Northwest Association of Forensic Scientists

Inclusive Dates: September 25-30, 2011 Location: Hotel Murano (Tacoma, WA) Contact Information: See website

Website: www.nwafs.org

Title: Southwestern Association of Forensic Scientists Annual Conference **Sponsoring Organization:** Southwestern Association of Forensic Scientists

Inclusive Dates: October 3-7, 2011

Location: Houston Marriott at Texas Medical Center (Houston, TX)

Contact Information: See website

Website: www.swafs.us

Title: The 2011 Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists Annual Meeting **Sponsoring Organization:** Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists

Inclusive Dates: November 1-5, 2011

Location: Hyatt Regency Hotel & Spa (Newport, RI)

Contact Information: See website

Website: www.neafs.org

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